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MEMORANDUM FOR

THE SECRETARY OF STATE

Attached is a copy of a message which the President asked that I send to the People's Republic of China. The message has been dispatched.

The President has asked that this message be returned to the White House as soon as you have read it.

ON-FILE NSC RELEASE INSTRUCTIONS APPLY

Henry A. Kissinger

Attachment

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The U. S. Government on November 8 confirmed premature press stories that with almost all Congressionally approved U. S. military shipments to Pakistan now completed, there will be no further delivery of military equipment for the time being. The U. S. Government wants the Chinese Government to understand the reasons why this step has been taken. With the pipeline of military items reduced to \$3 million and with the certainty that the U. S. Congress would not authorize any more funds, it was decided, with the concurrence of the Pakistan Government, not to complete the remaining shipments. This was done, in full consultation with the Pakistan Government, to enable the U. S. Government to make a maximum effort to continue the substantial economic assistance to Pakistan. This step has been used and inflated by pro-Indian elements to produce a major press sensation for their own ends.

The U. S. Government wishes the Chinese Government to know that senior officials expect to receive the Pakistan Foreign Secretary in the near future.

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